



IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
Plaintiff,  
v.  
FELIPPO GAUDENZI,  
Defendant.

Case No. 22-MJ-992  
ORDER OF DETENTION

1 I.  
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3 On March 3, 2023, Defendant, assisted by a Romanian language interpreter,  
4 made his initial appearance on the criminal complaint filed in this matter. Kristen  
5 Richards, a member of the Indigent Defense Panel, was appointed to represent  
6 Defendant. Defendant submitted on the Pretrial Services Officer's  
recommendation of detention.

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8        On motion of the Government [18 U.S.C. § 3142(f)(1)] in a case  
9 allegedly involving a narcotics or controlled substance offense with maximum  
10 sentence of ten or more years.

11        On motion by the Government or on the Court's own motion  
12 [18 U.S.C. § 3142(f)(2)] in a case allegedly involving a serious risk that the  
13 defendant will flee.

14       The Court concludes that the Government is not entitled to a rebuttable  
15 presumption that no condition or combination of conditions will reasonably assure  
16 the defendant's appearance as required and the safety of any person or the  
17 community [18 U.S.C. § 3142(e)(2)].

18 II.  
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20       The Court finds that no condition or combination of conditions will  
reasonably assure:  the appearance of the defendant as required.

21                    the safety of any person or the community.

22 III.  
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24       The Court has considered: (a) the nature and circumstances of the offense(s)  
25 charged, including whether the offense is a crime of violence, a Federal crime of  
26 terrorism, or involves a minor victim or a controlled substance, firearm, explosive,  
27 or destructive device; (b) the weight of evidence against the defendant; (c) the  
history and characteristics of the defendant; and (d) the nature and seriousness of  
the danger to any person or the community. [18 U.S.C. § 3142(g)] The Court also

1 considered all the evidence adduced at the hearing, the arguments of counsel, and  
2 the report and recommendation of the U.S. Pretrial Services Agency.

3 IV.

4 The Court bases its conclusions on the following:

5 As to risk of non-appearance:

- 6      legal status in the United States unknown
- 7      Lack of bail resources
- 8      Unverified background information including residence,  
      employment, and family ties to Central District of California
- 9      possession of false identification
- 10     identity unknown

11 As to danger to the community:

- 12     Defendant poses an economic danger given allegations in the  
      criminal complaint which include obtaining funds from the accounts of  
      individual victims by using cloned Electronic Benefit Transfer (debit) cards  
      to access funds from the Cal Fresh and CalWORKS programs that were  
      placed in the accounts.
- 13     Unverified background information

20 V.

21 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the defendant be detained until trial.

22 The defendant will be committed to the custody of the Attorney General for  
23 confinement in a corrections facility separate, to the extent practicable, from  
24 persons awaiting or serving sentences or being held in custody pending appeal.  
25 The defendant will be afforded reasonable opportunity for private consultation  
26 with counsel. On order of a Court of the United States or on request of any  
27 attorney for the Government, the person in charge of the corrections facility in

1 which defendant is confined will deliver the defendant to a United States Marshal  
2 for the purpose of an appearance in connection with a court proceeding.  
3 [18 U.S.C. § 3142(i)]

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5 Dated: March 3, 2023

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UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE